

who are attempting to sleep near a nighttime garbage collection point. I will therefore also comment on the some of the specific recommendations of the subcommittee.

Driver best practices training should include prohibitions on driving the wrong way on a one-way street or traveling in reverse for the sole purpose of taking a shortcut. These activities often create more noise than is necessary and should happen only when there is no other alternative for accessing a dumpster. Any training program should be verifiable and well-documented.

When complaints are received there should be some policy of actually measuring the noise level at the receiver without the knowledge of the hauler. Measurements taken in open spaces or with the hauler's knowledge may not accurately reflect the noise experience of the would-be sleeper. The complaint process should include specific noise limits for garbage collection noise; if those limits are exceeded the hauler must either reduce noise to permitted levels or change the time of the collection to 6:00 am or later. Any complaint process should also include a specific time limitation for the resolution of the complaint.

I would like to thank all of the parties involved with the nighttime garbage collection noise issue for their time and efforts. I appreciate OSD for helping me with a glass collection problem. The Noise Control Office has listened to my multiple complaints, and the Noise Review Board has given me opportunities to comment. The Garbage Subcommittee has submitted an impressive list of recommendations. I look forward to the continuation of this process.

Sincerely,

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